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Twaits: Elmer A. Twaits, general manager of the Multi-Line Insurance Rating Bureau, died when Eastern Air Lines Flight 663 crashed on February 8. He was forty-nine years old. In 1936, Mr. Twaits joined the National Bureau of Casualty Underwriters in its automobile division, was named assistant secretary in 1946, and secretary in 1960. He became general manager of the MLIRB when it was organized in August, 1963. Mr. Twaits was a fellow in the Insurance Institute of America and a member of the American Risk and Insurance Association and of the Drug and Chemical Club of New York.

Fougner: Arne Fougner, president of the Christiana General Insurance Corporation of New York, died March 13 at the age of fifty-two. Mr. Fougner became a vice president of the company when it was formed in 1941 by the Christiana General Insurance Company, Ltd., of Islo, Norway. He had been associated with the parent company since 1937.

Sterritte: Frank G. Sterritte, vice president and general counsel of C. V. Starr & Company, Inc., American International Underwriters Corporation, and the American International Life Assurance Company of New York, died suddenly on March 7 at the age of forty-nine. Mr. Sterritte was also a director and secretary of many American International companies. Before joining the American International organization in 1944, he had been associated with the Central Hanover Bank and Trust Company and subsequently with the New York law firms of Nichols & Bedford and Murphy & Fiencke. Mr. Sterritte was an instructor at the Insurance Society of New York. He was active in legal societies including Phi Delta Phi, New York Law Institute, American Bar Association, American Foreign Law Association, and the International Bar Association.

Martin: William C. Martin, New England division vice president and a director of the Utica Mutual Insurance Company, died suddenly on January 30 at the age of fifty-seven. Mr. Martin spent twenty-seven years in the casualty insurance field, spending the major portion of his career as manager of Utica Mutual's New England general agency. In 1963 he was named vice president of the company's newly created New England division. Mr. Martin was active in the New England 1752 Club, the Mutual Underwriters Association, and the Mutual Rating Bureau.

Bryan: Austin D. Bryan, assistant vice president, agency department, of the Aetna Casualty and Surety Company and the Standard Fire Insurance Company, died March 3 at the age of sixty-three. Mr. Bryan joined Aetna Casualty in 1925 in the bond department at Dallas. He came to the home office in 1929 and was placed in charge of development of the company's survey plan of selling. He was appointed field supervisor in 1938 and later advanced to secretary. Mr. Bryan was named assistant vice president in 1959.

Brown: Harlow G. Brown, retired New York resident vice president of the Continental Companies' eastern department, died February 10 at the age of sixty-nine. Mr. Brown had retired in 1956.

Smith: Harvey C. Smith, former advertising manager for the Agricultural Insurance Group, died suddenly on February 14 at sixty-five years of age. Mr. Smith had retired from the insurance company last November having completed forty-one years of service.

Dower: Vernon C. Dower, assistant secretary, underwriting department, of the Aetna Casualty and Surety Company and the Standard Fire Insurance Company, died February 26 at forty-nine years of age. Mr. Dower joined the organization in 1937 and served as superintendent of the underwriting department at the Washington, D. C. office prior to his appointment as assistant secretary in 1959.

Dralle: Edward A. Dralle, executive vice president of Illinois R. B. Jones, Inc., died suddenly on February 16. Mr. Dralle was named executive vice president of Illinois R. B. Jones in 1964. He joined the firm in 1958 as assistant vice president in charge of underwriting and was advanced to vice president in 1960. Previously, Mr. Dralle had served as assistant manager for Newhouse & Hawley and, prior to that, as assistant superintendent of the liability department for Aetna Casualty and Surety Company.

Craig: Robert A. Craig, actuary for the Multi-Line Insurance Rating Bureau, died February 8 as the result of the crash of Eastern Air Lines Flight 663. He was thirty-four years of age. Mr. Craig joined the Connecticut Insurance Department in 1962 as an actuary in the rating division after having served as an actuarial assistant with the Travelers Insurance Company in Hartford. He joined the MLIRB as actuary in November, 1964. He was a fellow by examination in the Casualty Actuarial Society.

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